## SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR PERFORMING SUBSCRIBER LOOP TESTING IN AN OPTICAL NETWORK

## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An access network includes a test system controller that provides a test request in Signaling Network Management Protocol (SNMP) messages to element an A network gateway, in conjunction management system. with the element management system, provides test commands to a customer gateway over a Local loop Emulation Service Embedded Operations Channel (LES-EOC). The customer gateway performs a subscriber loop test on derived subscriber lines connected therewith. Results of the subscriber loop test are provided over the LES-EOC to the gateway. The network gateway sends the results to the test system controller through the element management system in SNMP messages.

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